
Transportation Committee
of the
Southern California Association of Governments
October 2, 2014

Minutes

THE FOLLOWING MINUTES ARE A SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE. A DIGITAL RECORDING OF THE ACTUAL MEETING IS AVAILABLE FOR LISTENING IN SCAG'S OFFICE.

The Transportation Committee (TC) met at SCAG's office in downtown Los Angeles. The meeting was called to order by Chair Hon. Alan Wapner, Ontario. A quorum was present.

Members Present:

Hon. Dante Acosta, Santa Clarita	District 67
Hon. John Addleman, Rolling Hills Estates	SBCCOG
Hon. Bruce Barrows, Cerritos	District 23
Hon. Russell Betts, Desert Hot Springs	CVAG
Hon. Art Brown, Buena Park	District 21
Hon. Diana Lee Carey, Westminster	OCCOG
Hon. Jonathan Curtis, La Cañada-Flintridge	District 36
Hon. Gene Daniels, Paramount	District 24
Hon. Paul Eaton, Montclair	District 9
Hon. Mario Guerra, Downey	District 25
Hon. Bill Hodge, Calexico	ICTC
Hon. Jim Hyatt, Calimesa	District 3
Hon. Trish Kelley, Mission Viejo	OCCOG
Hon. Michele Martinez, Santa Ana	District 16
Hon. Andrew Masiel, Sr.	Pechanga Band of Luiseño Indians
Hon. Marsha McLean, Santa Clarita	District 67
Hon. Dan Medina, Gardena	District 28
Hon. Keith Millhouse, Moorpark	VCTC
Hon. Leroy Mills, Cypress	District 18
Hon. Brett Murdock, Brea	District 22
Hon. Kris Murray, Anaheim	District 19
Hon. Frank Navarro, City of Colton	District 6
Hon. Micheál O'Leary, Culver City	WCCOG
Hon. Gary Ovitt	San Bernardino County
Hon. Linda Parks	Ventura County
Hon. Greg Pettis, Cathedral City	District 2
Hon. Teresa Real Sebastian, Monterey Park	SGVCOG
Hon. Ali Saleh, Bell	GCCOG
Hon. David Spence, La Canada-Flintridge	Arroyo Verdugo Cities
Hon. Karen Spiegel, Corona	District 63
Hon. Tim Spohn, City of Industry	SGVCOG
Hon. Barb Stanton, Apple Valley	SANBAG
Hon. Alan Wapner, (<i>Chair</i>)	SANBAG
Hon. Michael Wilson, Indio	District 66
Ms. Elaheh Yadegar	Caltrans District 7

Members Not Present:

Hon. Mike Antonovich	Los Angeles County
Hon. Rusty Bailey, Riverside	District 68
Hon. Glen Becerra, Simi Valley	District 46
Hon. Bert Hack, Laguna Woods	OCCOG
Hon. Jan Harnik, Palm Desert	RCTC
Hon. Matthew Harper, Huntington Beach	District 64
Hon. Carol Herrera, Diamond Bar	District 37
Hon. Steven Hofbauer, Palmdale	District 43
Hon. Jose Huizar, Los Angeles	District 61
Hon. Randon Lane, Murrieta	Murrieta
Hon. James C. Ledford	Palmdale
Hon. Ryan McEachron, Victorville	District 65
Hon. Barbara Messina, Alhambra (Vice-Chair)	District 34
Hon. Shawn Nelson	Orange County
Hon. Pam O'Connor, Santa Monica	District 41
Hon. Bernard C. Parks, Los Angeles	District 55
Hon. Ron Roberts, Temecula	District 5
Hon. Dwight Robinson, Lake Forest	OCCOG
Hon. Damon Sandoval	Morongo Band of Mission Indians
Hon. Larry Smith	WRCOG
Hon. Jeff Stone	Riverside County
Hon. Jess Talamantes, Burbank	District 42
Hon. Brent Tercero, Pico Rivera	GCCOG

CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Hon. Alan Wapner, Ontario, called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m. Hon. Bruce Barrows, Cerritos, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Hon. Alan Wapner, Ontario, welcomed Hon. Ali Saleh, City of Bell, a new committee member.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Greg Nord, Transportation Analyst, Orange County Transportation Authority, urged the committee to support the 2014 Regional Active Transportation Program.

ACTION ITEMS

1. 2014 Southern California Regional Active Transportation Program: Funding Recommendations and Project List

Sarah Jepson, SCAG staff, noted the ATP project list has been developed in collaboration with the county transportation commissions. Once approved by the Regional Council the project list will be forwarded to the California Transportation Commission in November 2014 for approval.

A MOTION was made (Martinez) and SECONDED (Navarro) to recommend to the Regional Council approval of the submitted project list. The Motion passed by the following votes:

AYES: Acosta, Addleman, Barrows, Betts, Brown, Lee Carey, Curtis, Daniels, Eaton, Guerra, Hodge, Hyatt, Martinez, McLean, Millhouse, Mills, Murdock, Navarro, O’Leary, Ovitt, Pettis, Real Sebastian, Spence, Wapner, Wilson and Saleh
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None

2. Approval of the 2014 Amendment to the Joint Powers Agreement Concerning the Los Angeles – San Diego – San Luis Obispo Corridor Rail Agency (LOSSAN)

Stephen Fox, SCAG staff, stated in 2013 the LOSSAN Joint Powers Agreement was changed by all member agencies to reflect local control of the Pacific Surfliner Train. At that time there was an inadvertent change in the agency’s name from LOSSAN Rail Corridor Agency to LOSSAN Corridor Rail. Mr. Fox noted approval of the amendment to the LOSSAN JPA corrects the inadvertent name change.

A MOTION was made (Brown) and SECONDED (Lee Carey) to recommend approval by the Regional Council of the amendment correcting the agency name change. The Motion passed by the following votes:

AYES: Acosta, Addleman, Barrows, Betts, Brown, Lee Carey, Curtis, Daniels, Eaton, Guerra, Hodge, Hyatt, Martinez, McLean, Millhouse, Mills, Murdock, Murray, Navarro, O’Leary, Ovitt, Pettis, Real Sebastian, Saleh, Spence, Wapner, and Wilson
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None

CONSENT CALENDAR

Approval Items

3. Minutes of the September 11, 2014 Meeting

Receive and File

4. 2014 Regional Council and Policy Committees Meeting Schedule
5. SCAG Sustainability Planning Grants Program - Monthly Update
6. SCAG GIS Services Program Status Report

A MOTION was made (Brown) and SECONDED (Wilson) to approve the Consent Calendar. The Motion passed by the following votes:

AYES: Acosta, Addleman, Barrows, Betts, Brown, Lee Carey, Curtis, Daniels, Eaton, Guerra, Hodge, Hyatt, Martinez, McLean, Millhouse, Mills, Murdock, Murray, Navarro, Ovitt, Pettis, Real Sebastian, Spence, Spohn, Wapner, and Wilson
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: O’Leary and Saleh

INFORMATION ITEMS

7. California Highway Safety Plan Update

Laura Muna-Landa, Arellano Associates, provided an update on California Highway Safety Plan which is required by the Federal Highway Administration with the first plan completed in 2006. The goal of the plan is to reduce the number and severity of multi-modal crashes on public highways and roads. It is designed to focus resources on the most significant problems so the greatest degree of progress can be made. It was noted traffic fatalities have decreased by 28% and serious injuries have declined 17% since 2006 although that trend has turned slightly upward since 2010. Ms. Muna-Landa noted current efforts include updating the plan and she invited the committee's input and involvement. Upcoming activities include a series of webinars scheduled for the last week of October and a Safety Summit November 12, 2014 at California State University, Los Angeles.

Hon. Russell Betts, Desert Hot Springs, asked about the leading cause of traffic fatalities. Ursula Stuter, Caltrans, responded that impaired driving is responsible for the majority of fatalities.

8. Transportation Finance & Goods Movement Update for the Development of the 2016-2040 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (2016 RTP/SCS)

Annie Nam, SCAG staff, provided an update on Transportation Finance and Goods Movement development for the 2016-2040 RTP/SCS. Ms. Nam reviewed traditional transportation funding mechanisms including sales and gas tax, farebox, tolls and bonds as well as potential new revenue sources such as mileage-based user fees, highway tolls and a national freight program. Areas of focus for funding the 2016-2040 RTP/SCS include further refinement of system preservation needs, monitoring of new potential sources of revenue including cap and trade auction proceeds and continued collaboration with Caltrans on a pilot program for testing mileage-based user fees.

Ms. Nam reported on the goods movement development and the region's infrastructure that includes six (6) commercial airports, two (2) large container ports, rail roads and an extensive network of freeways and arterials. It was further noted increasing freight traffic for rail and truck is anticipated in the region with truck traffic near the ports tripling by 2035. Ms. Nam noted goods movement activities have a negative impact on the region's air quality. The 2012-2035 RTP/SCS calls for greater than \$70 billion in investments and includes developing strategies focused on reducing impacts on communities by locating goods movement activities closer to industrial areas and away from residential and commercial centers and the development of cleaner operations, fuels and technologies.

Hon. Russell Betts, Desert Hot Springs, noted research that indicates collection costs for Vehicle Miles Travelled (VMT) fees are far greater and much less efficient than gas tax collections and asked the committee to reflect on this difference as it considers a VMT fee.

9. Update on SCAG's Bottom-Up Local Input Process for the 2016-2040 Regional Transportation Plan and Sustainable Communities Strategy (2016 RTP/SCS)

Kimberly Clark, SCAG staff, provided an update on the 2016-2040 RTP/SCS local input process. Ms. Clark stated SCAG employs a "local control - regional collaboration"

strategy to produce draft socioeconomic and geographic datasets. It was noted over the course of 18 months a series of one-on-one meetings have taken place with local jurisdictions to collect data changes and provide technical guidance. Ms. Clark noted this effort received extensive support from subregional partners and meetings have taken place with 195 jurisdictions or 99% of all cities and counties in the region. This input will be integrated into SCAG's technical models.

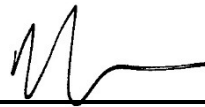
STAFF REPORT

Akiko Yamagami, SCAG staff, reported the California Strategic Growth Council has released the Draft Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities Guidelines. Comments are being solicited through October 31, 2014. The program will provide grants and loans for affordable housing, infill and Transit Oriented Development. Also, the Strategic Growth Council will host a workshop at SCAG on October 27, 2014 from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Committee members are invited to attend and provide comments at the workshop or in writing prior to the deadline.

Joann Africa, Chief Counsel, announced that SCAG's 5th Annual Economic Summit will take place at the Bonaventure Hotel on December 4, 2014 and there will be no Regional Council or policy committee meetings that day.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Alan Wapner adjourned the meeting at 11:30 a.m. The next meeting of the Transportation Committee will be held Thursday, February 5, 2015 at the SCAG Los Angeles office.



Mervin Acebo, Senior Regional Planner
Transportation Planning

Transportation Committee Attendance Report

2014

			X = County Represented						X = Attended				= No Meeting		NM = New Member					
	Member (including Ex-Officio) Last Name, First Name	Representing	IC	LA	OC	RC	SB	VC	Jan	Feb	Mar	April	GA May	June	No Mtg. July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
1	Acosta, Dante*	Santa Clarita		X										NM		X	X	X		
2	Addleman, John	Rolling Hills Estates		X					X	X		X		X		X	X	X		
3	Antonovich, Michael*	Los Angeles County		X					X			X		X		X				
4	Bailey, Rusty*	Riverside, WRCOG				X				NM							X			
5	Barrows, Bruce*	Cerritos		X					X	X		X		X		X	X	X		
6	Becerra, Glen*	Simi Valley		X					X	X		X		X						
7	Betts, Russell	CVAG				X			X	X		X		X		X	X	X		
8	Brown, Art*	Buena Park			X				X	X		X		X		X	X	X		
9	Lee Carey, Diana	Westminster, OCCOG			X									NM		X	X	X		
10	Curtis, Jonathan*	La Cañada Flintridge		X										NM		X		X		
11	Daniels, Gene*	Paramount		X					X	X		X		X		X	X	X		
12	Eaton, Paul*	Montclair					X			X				X				X		
13	Guerra, Mario*	Downey		X					X			X						X		
14	Hack, Bert	Laguna Woods			X				X	X		X		X		X				
15	Hamik, Jan	Palm Desert, RCTC				X												NM		
16	Harper, Matthew*	Huntington Beach			X				X	X		X		X		X	X			
17	Herrera, Carol*	Diamond Bar		X					X			X		X						
18	Hodge, Bill	Clexico, ICTC	X							X		X						X		
19	Hofbauer, Steven*	Palmdale/No. LA County		X												NM	X			
20	Huizar, Jose*	Los Angeles		X																
21	Hyatt, Jim*	Calimesa				X			X	X		X		X		X	X	X		
22	Kelley, Trish	Mission Viejo			X				X	X		X		X			X	X		
23	Lane, Randon	Murrieta				X			X					X						
24	Ledford, James C.	Palmdale/No. LA County		X													X			
25	Martinez, Michele*	Santa Ana			X				X	X		X		X		X		X		
26	Masiel, Andrew*	Pechanga Luiseño Indians							X	X				X		X		X		
27	McEachron, Ryan*	Victorville					X		X	X		X		X		X	X			
28	McLean, Marsha	Santa Clarita		X					X					X		X	X	X		
29	Medina, Dan*	Gardena		X					X	X		X		X		X	X	X		
30	Messina, Barbara* (Vice-Chair)	Alhambra		X					X	X		X		X		X	X			
31	Millhouse, Keith*	Moorpark						X		X		X		X		X	X	X		
32	Mills, Leroy*	Cypress			X				X			X		X		X	X	X		
33	Murdock, Brett*	Brea			X				X	X		X				X	X	X		
34	Murray, Kris*	Anaheim			X				X	X		X					X	X		
35	Navarro, Frank*	Colton					X		NM	X		X		X		X	X	X		
36	Nelson, Shawn*	Orange County			X				X	X				X						
37	O'Connor, Pam*	Santa Monica		X					X											
38	O'Leary, Micheál	Culver City/WCCOG		X					X	X		X		X		X		X		
39	Ovitt, Gary*	San Bernardino County					X			X		X					X	X		
40	Parks, Bernard*	Los Angeles		X																
41	Parks, Linda*	Ventura County						X	X	X							X	X		
42	Pettis, Gregory*	Cathedral City				X			X	X		X		X		X	X	X		
43	Real Sebastian, Teresa	Monterey Park/SGVCOG		X					X	X		X		X		X	X	X		
44	Roberts, Ron*	Temecula				X				X				X		X				
45	Robinson, Dwight	Lake Forest, OCCOG			X									NM			X			
46	Saleh, Ali	City of Bell, GCCOG		X														NM		
47	Sandoval, Damon	Morongo Band of Mission Indians																		
48	Smith, Larry	Hemet, WRCOG				X						X				X	X			
49	Spence, David	Flintridge/Arroyo Verdugo Cities		X					X	X		X		X		X	X	X		
50	Spiegel, Karen*	Corona/WRCOG				X			X	X		X		X		X		X		
51	Spohn, Tim	Industry/SGVCOG		X					X	X				X		X		X		
52	Stanton, Barb	Apple Valley					X		X			X		X			X	X		
53	Stone, Jeff*	Riverside				X				X		X		X						
54	Talamantes, Jess*	Burbank/SFVCOG		X					X	X		X		X		X	X			
55	Tercero, Brent	Pico Rivera		X										X						
56	Wapner, Alan* (Chair)	Ontario, SANBAG					X		X	X		X		X		X		X		
57	Wilson, Michael*	Indio, CVAG				X								NM		X		X		
58	Yadegar, Elaheh	Caltrans District 7															NM	X		
		Totals	1	24	11	11	6	2												
	* Regional Council Member																			